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SUBJECT: CIVAIR: CHARTERWORTHINESS UNDERSTANDING AND
GERMAN CARRIERS' APPLICATION FOR WAIVERS

REF: STATE 66461

1. DURING DISCUSSIONS WITH ABC/ TGC MEMORANDUM OF UNDER-
STANDING ON APRIL 11, FEDERAL MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT
REPRESENTATIVE NIESTER EXPRESSED SURPRISE AND CONCERN
AT THE DIFFICULTY FRG CHARTER CARRIERS ARE HAVING IN
OBTAINING CAB WAIVERS ON AN INDIVIDUAL BASIS TO CARRY
OUT FRG ORIGIN ABC CHARTERS. HE MENTIONED IN PARTICULAR
A LUFTHANSA FLIGHT SCHEDULED TO TAKE PLACE ON APRIL 15
WITH 160 CONFIRMED PASSENGERS. APPLICATION FOR A
WAIVER FOR THIS FLIGHT HAD APPARENTLY BEEN REFUSED BY
CAB. NIESTER POINTED OUT THAT MOU ON CHARTERWORTHINESS
WILL BE INITIALLED AND REFERENDUM ON APRIL 12, THAT
THERE REMAINED NO FURTHER DIFFERENCES OF SUBSTANCE
BETWEEN THE FRG AND THE US ON THE EXCHANGE OF LETTERS
AND THAT THE ONLY PROBLEMS REMAINING-- THOUGH NOT
NECESSARILY EASY ONES-- WERE OF LEGAL FORM ONLY. IN
THESE CIRCUMSTANCES, HE HOPED THE CAB MIGHT BE MORE
ACCOMMODATING ON FUTURE WAIVER APPLICATIONS. EMBASSY
CAA AGREED TO PASS ON NIESTER'S REMARKS TO THE
DEPARTMENT.

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2. COMMENT: EMBASSY WOULD AGREE THAT TO HAVE GRANTED
WAIVERS READILY DURING LAST TWO WEEKS' DISCUSSIONS WITH
FRG WOULD HAVE BEEN TACTICALLY UNWISE. AT THIS STAGE
OF THE NEGOTIATIONS, HOWEVER, EMBASSY RECOMMENDS
STRONGLY THAT CAB, IF POSSIBLE, APPROVE AT LEAST SOME
WAIVERS FOR THE MORE IMMINENT ABC CHARTERS.
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